



10 ADMINISTRATION

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10.43 Miscellaneous Policies and Procedures

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POLICY: Per Federal Regulations, the following miscellaneous provisions apply.

PROCEDURE:

A. COST OF WIC BENEFITS

WIC foods, nutrition education and health assessment benefits are provided at no cost to eligible participants. Projects may require proof of pregnancy only if the woman can obtain the pregnancy test at no charge.

B. VALUE OF WIC BENEFITS:

1. The value of WIC benefits shall not be considered as income for the participant and/or their family for any other Federal, State or local programs in Wisconsin, including but not limited to, laws relating to taxation, welfare and public assistance programs.
2. Participation in WIC does not give rise to a “public charge” determination, (e.g., immigrants) and no reimbursement of WIC benefits is required due to any person’s participation in WIC.

C. STATISTICAL INFORMATION AND MEDICAL INFORMATION

The Wisconsin WIC Program shall provide program statistical and medical information to USDA Food and Consumer Service (FCS) to evaluate program goals and effectiveness. Data provided FCS will be in such a form as to assure individual participant confidentiality. The State WIC Office will also use local project data to evaluate program operations, annual State Plan goals and the impact of WIC on the wellness of program participants.

D. PUBLIC INFORMATION

A copy of the State WIC Program Operations Manual and System Manual will be made available for public review and copying at the State WIC Office, Regional Offices, and each local project during normal business hours.